

experience COLUMBUS

EXPERIENCE COLUMBUS FOR THE BEST IN VARIETY

ARTS AND CULTURE

- Columbus Museum of Art, Wexner Center for the Arts and The King Arts Complex for the best in the arts
- Franklin Park Conservatory with a permanent collection of Dale Chihuly glass art
- Topiary Park, the re-creation of art in topiary
- Historic Ohio, Palace, Lincoln and Southern theaters
- Performances by BalletMet, Broadway Across America–Columbus, Columbus Jazz Orchestra, Opera Columbus and top touring shows



Columbus Museum of Art

ATTRACTIONS AND FESTIVALS

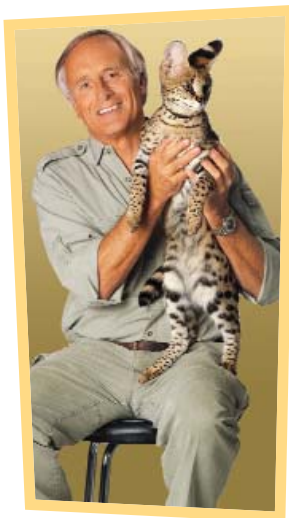
- Easton Town Center and Polaris Fashion Place for great shopping
- Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and Zoombezi Bay water park
- COSI for hands-on fun
- Inniswood Metro Gardens and Park of Roses
- North Market for fresh foods and more
- See items being made at American Whistle Corp., Anthony-Thomas Candy Co., Flag Lady's Flag Shop, Graeter's Ice Cream and Krema Nut Company
- A packed schedule of festivals



Sur La Table at Easton Town Center

EXPERIENTIAL ADVENTURES

- Figure out whodunit at "Dickens of a Mystery" dinner theater in Ohio Village
- Cook alongside the pros at Woodhaven Farm and Easton Town Center's Sur La Table
- Spice it up during cooking school with CaJohn at the North Market
- Create your own custom-scented candle at The Candle Lab
- Go behind the scenes to meet the dancers at BalletMet
- Be a professional baseball player for a day at Huntington Park, home of the Columbus Clippers
- Enjoy many more experiential activities—all sure to thrill your groups



Columbus Zoo and Aquarium



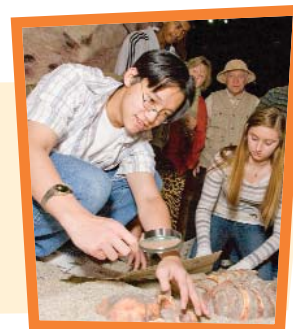
Ohio Statehouse

HERITAGE ATTRACTIONS

- Ohio Statehouse, with costumed guides and boarding house-style meals
- Ohio Historical Center and Ohio Village for a look at the state's history
- Step back in time at Kelton House, an Underground Railroad stop
- German Village, one of the nation's largest restored historic neighborhoods

PERFECT FOR MYSTERY TOURS

With its wide selection of attractions like COSI, Columbus is an ideal location for your next mystery tour. Consider Central Ohio as you plan your mystery tours for 2010-2011. Our attractions and hotels will work with you to accommodate your needs.



COSI

NEW EXPERIENTIAL TOURS

Columbus has 57 innovative experiential activities that will excite even those well traveled. Here are just a few to choose from:

- Explore two of the top-ranked attractions in the country. Eat breakfast with the animals at the **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium**, and challenge your inner explorer at **COSI** in Adventure, an Indiana Jones like area open exclusively to groups.
- Be a professional baseball player for the day with the **Columbus Clippers**.
- Create a blown glass ornament at The Works in **Licking County**.



- Go on stage to meet the **Columbus Jazz Orchestra** and artistic director Byron Stripling, the former lead trumpeter and soloist with the Count Basie Orchestra.

- Dine at "Miss Emma's Table" and meet prominent figures from Ohio's history at the **Ohio Statehouse**.
- Find out Sophia's secret at the **Kelton House**, a restored stop on the Underground Railroad.

WHAT'S COMING UP

- **Polar Frontier**, opening March 2010, will bring polar bears and more to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. Coming in 2014 is **African Savanna**.



- See the world debut of 20-plus artifacts during **Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition**, March 27-Sept. 6, 2010 at COSI.
- See Broadway hits "**Chicago**" June 8-13, 2010 and "**Wicked**" July 28-Aug. 29, 2010.

- Design your own art at the **Center for Creativity**, an expansive hands-on area opening late 2010 at the Columbus Museum of Art.
- Mark your calendar with these popular 2010 annual events. Find a complete list on ExperienceColumbus.com.
- **Blooms & Butterflies** March 13-July 4
- **Columbus Arts Festival** June 4-6
- **Dublin Irish Festival** Aug. 6-8
- **Wildlights** Nov. 19, 2010-Jan. 1, 2011

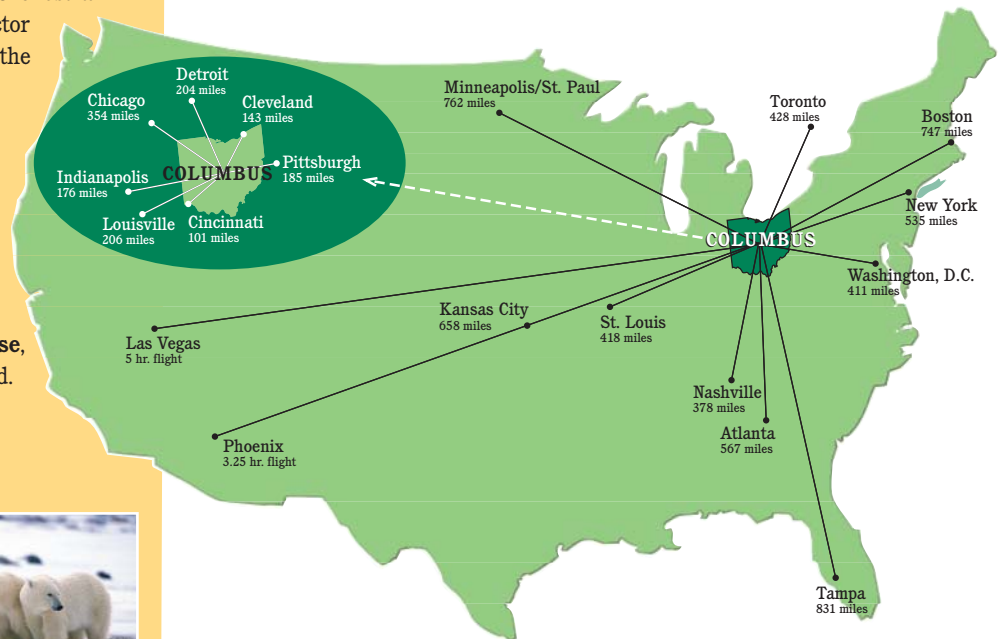
DISCOVER OHIO

Centrally located in the heart of Ohio, Columbus serves as a convenient home base for a variety of interesting day trips. Nearby locations perfect for groups include:

- Amish Country
- Prime Outlets Jeffersonville
- Historic Roscoe Village, the re-creation of a Canal Era village
- Hartstone Pottery where you can paint pottery
- Hocking Hills State Park
- Longaberger Homestead where you can make your own basket
- The United States Air Force Museum
- The Wilds, with open air safari tours
- Frank Lloyd Wright's restored Westcott House



Longaberger Homestead



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- Our new guide to Columbus' hands-on experiential tours
- *Touring Columbus* newsletter
- Promotional videos/DVDs, photos and photo library

